



Oakfield Primary School Newsletter

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Weekly News

Easter Egg hunt: Thank you to FOO for organising our Easter Egg hunt on Thursday. The children followed the clues around the school grounds, before collecting their easter egg from the 'Easter Bunny'. Great team work from the children.

Oakfield's Got Talent: Well done to all the children who participated in Oakfield's Got Talent on Friday. A great time was had by all! It was amazing to see the variety of talents the children here at Oakfield have, showcased in all their splendour.

Finalists

Year 1	Kallie F, Isla B & Ava M-W—Singing Lucy S—Gymnastics	Year 4	Libby L—Ribbon Dancing Sydney D—Singing
Year 2	Alfie & Arthur—Telling Jokes Grace B—Dancing	Year 5	Tillie & Ellie—Singing & Gymnastics Amelia A—Singing
Year 3	Elijah M—Singing Esme & Amelia - Acting	Year 6	Scarlett H—Singing Alexander T—Juggling Diabolo

And the winners are.....

KS1: Lucy S's amazing gymnastic display.
Lower KS2: Libby L's showstopping ribbon dancing
Upper KS2 : Alexander T's dazzling diabolo tricks



A **reminder** that the new school clubs' timetable will restart from Tuesday 22nd April.

On Tuesday 22nd April, we are also celebrating **Earth Day** (Year 4 will be doing this on Wednesday 23rd April) Information regarding Earth Day has been sent out, please ensure you have read this information.

All children will need their **PE kits** back in school from Tuesday 22nd April. During the Easter holiday, please check that everything still fits, including footwear and that all items are clearly named. Thank you.

We wish you all a lovely Easter holiday, hopefully with some sunshine! The children return to school on **Tuesday 22nd April**.

House Points

Romans	Vikings	Saxons	Normans
39	37	37	44

Our 3 school rules: Be safe. Be ready. Be respectful.

Dates for your diary

22/04/25

Return to school,
Earth Day &
Yr4 Layer Marney Trip

24/04/25

Yr2 Langdon Hills Trip

25/04/25

Spring Disco

5/5/25

May Bank Holiday

14/5/25

Reception—Journey Around
the Curriculum 2:30pm

Lunch Menu

Week commencing:
22/04/25

Week 1 New Summer
Menu

Please remember to
pre-order your child/
ren's meals on the
MCAS App

Achievement Certificates

A big congratulations to all the children that were awarded with a certificate in Friday's celebration.

Class 1	Oakley W & Ella C	Class 8	Sami C
Class 2	Lucas H & Jamie D	Class 9	James D
Class 3	Moby O	Class 10	Troy C
Class 4	Kallie F	Class 11	Ellie B
Class 5	Frankie S	Class 12	Marta N
Class 6	Oscar L	Class 13	Kelsey C & Darcey J
Class 7	Ollie E	Class 14	Alex A

Presentation awards: In our celebration assembly this week, one child from each class was awarded with a certificate and tea and biscuits with Mrs Cooney for the presentation in their books. This included hand-writing and the layout of their work. The children are working hard to take pride in their work across all subjects.

Class 1	Lily-Aurora A	Class 8	Amy T
Class 2	Thea E	Class 9	Olivia S
Class 3	Layla N	Class 10	Ava C
Class 4	Charlie G	Class 11	Riley G
Class 5	Euan H	Class 12	Isabella A
Class 6	Harry J	Class 13	Dol'e T
Class 7	Ayda A	Class 14	Isabella G

Attendance

Congratulations to the classes who achieved or exceeded our school attendance target of 96%

EYFS & KS1	KS2	Whole School
Class 2— 96% Class 6— 97%	Classes 7, 11, 12 & 14 — 96% Class 10 — 97%	95.4%

Sporting Achievements

It has been a great week for sporting achievements at Oakfield.

On Tuesday, Year 4 took part in an athletics event at Beauchamps against the other Wickford schools. They completed a range of activities ranging from javelin, standing long jump and speed bounce to relays and an obstacle race. Well done to everyone who took part!

A big well done also to our boy's football team for drawing 1-1 in a game against Glebe.

On Wednesday, seven of our children represented Oakfield in the Cross-Country County Final at Garons, racing against children from all over Essex as it was a county competition. A massive well done to Ollie J in year 4, who ran 1200m and Zoe M, Brooke H, Amelie D, Alba Y, Amelia A and Chloe B in year 5; who ran 1600m. Wow! What an achievement.



Achievements from Home

Once again, this week so many of our children have wonderful achievements from home to share that we have designated a whole page to celebrate them. Well done to you all, we are very proud of you!

Chase and Finley W (class 5 and 5) both achieved their swimming badges at the weekend.



Joshua D completed his first grading in karate, after lots of hard work at school. He gained his orange belt.



Aidan passed grade 1 music performance in bands through his hard work and dedication with rocksteady. He received a certificate from Trinity College London and is now working towards passing grade 2.



James D successfully passed his swimming badges this week.



THE FRIENDS OF OAKFIELD EASTER VIRTUAL DUCK RACE!

WHAT IS IT? A FUN ONLINE EVENT TO PROMOTE OUR ECO SCHOOL VALUES. BUY YOUR 'VIRTUAL' DUCKS AND LET THEM 'RACE' EACH OTHER ACROSS THE COURSE OVER A WEEK LONG EVENT. CHECK ONLINE TO SPOT YOUR DUCK AND LIVE RACE POSITIONS!

WHEN IS IT? RACE START: MONDAY 14TH APRIL
RACE END: EASTER MONDAY 21ST APRIL
DUCKS ON SALE FROM: NOW

HOW DO WE PLAY? CLICK HERE TO BUY YOUR DUCKS:
WWW.BALLOONRACE.NET/TFOO

CUSTOMISE AND NAME IT. ENTER AS MANY DUCKS AS YOU WISH. THE MORE YOU HAVE IN THE RACE THE MORE CHANCE OF WINNING. HOW FAST WILL YOUR'S SWIM!!

WHO CAN ENTER? CHILDREN, PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, FRIENDS, FAMILY, EVEN THE DOG IF YOU WANT!! FOO KINDLY ASK YOU TO SHARE OUR LINK FAR AND WIDE, THE MORE THE MERRIER AND IT'S ALL FOR A GOOD CAUSE.

WHAT ARE WE FUNDRAISING FOR? WE ARE STARTING AN ABMITIOUS CHALLENGE OF RAISING FUNDS FOR NEW SMART SCREENS IN EVERY SINGLE CLASSROOM. HOPEFULLY WITH YOUR HELP AND GENEROSITY WE CAN START THIS FUNDING POT GOING.

1ST PRIZE: £50 CASH
2ND PRIZE: £20 AMAZON VOUCHER
3RD, 4TH, 5TH, PRIZES: EASTER EGGS
THE CLASS WITH THE MOST DUCKS TO FINISH
IN THE TOP 10, WIN EXTRA GREEN TIME!

<https://www.balloonrace.net/TFOO>



THE BIG WALK AND WHEEL.

The Eco-Councillors had the responsibility of gathering data for "The Big Walk and Wheel". They had to log how each child in their class travelled to school for the Big Walk and Wheel between the 24th March and the 4th April. Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel inspires pupils to make active journeys to school, improve air quality in their neighbourhood and discover how these changes benefit their world.

The main contributor to our carbon footprint is **pupil commutes** so this was a great way to encourage our pupils to find an alternative way of travelling to school whether that was walking, scooting or biking.

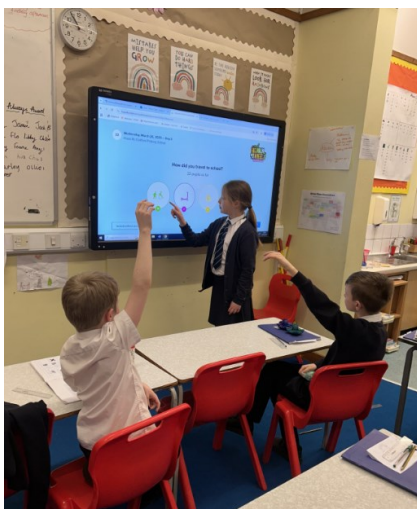
Here's what some of our Eco-Councillors had to say about the information they gathered-

"I have found in our class over 20 children are walking, scooting and cycling."- Class 12

"More children are walking to school than driving."- Class 13

"Lots of children have started to walk and there is only a few that are driving." Class 9

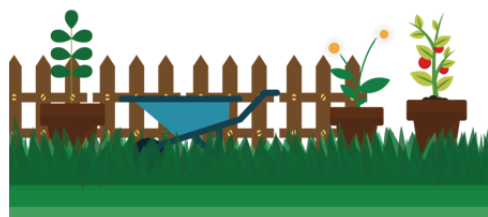
Thank you to everyone who managed to find an alternative way to travel to school and help reduce carbon emissions in our area.



**WE NEED
YOUR HELP**

DO YOU HAVE A SPARE HOUR TO HELP THE ECO-COUNCIL?

We are hoping to build a team of helpers to support the Eco-Council in some of our school grounds projects such as planting, weeding and tidying our garden areas.



Please email- admin@oakfield.essex.sch.uk if you would like to help us.

No expertise in gardening required.



2024 – 2025 Diary Dates



Summer Term (21 st April – 22 nd July)		
Date	Event	Details
W/C 07.04.2025	Easter Half Term	
W/C 14.04.2025		
W/C 21.04.2025		
Monday 21 st April 2025	Easter Monday	
Tuesday 22 nd April 2025	Earth Day	Organised by the Eco-Council – more information to follow
Tuesday 22 nd April 2025	Year 4 Trip – Layer Marney Towers	
Thursday 24 th April 2025	Year 2 Trip – Langdon Hills	
Friday 25 th April 2025	Spring Disco	FOO Event
W/C 28.04.2025		
W/C 05.05.2025		
Monday 5 th May 2025	May Bank Holiday	
W/C 12.05.2025	Year 6 SATS Week	
Wednesday 14 th May 2025	Reception Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Reception parents
Thursday 15 th May 2025	Year 1 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 1 parents
Friday 16 th May 2025	Year 2 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 2 parents
Friday 16 th May 2025	Wonderlicious Sale	FOO Event
W/C 19.05.2025		
Monday 19 th May 2025	Year 3 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 3 parents
Tuesday 20 th May 2025	Year 4 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 4 parents
Wednesday 21 st May 2025	Year 5 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 5 parents
Thursday 22 nd May 2025	Year 6 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 6 parents
Friday 23 rd May 2025	Stay and Play Coffee Morning – New Reception Intake 2025	9:00am-10:00am Reception Intake Parents 2025
W/C 26.05.2025	May Half Term	
W/C 02.06.2025		
Monday 2 nd June 2025	INSET DAY	
Thursday 5 th June 2025	Year 6 -Chessington Trip	
Saturday 7 th June 2025	Summer Fete	FOO Event 12pm - 3pm
W/C 09.06.2025	Phonics Screening Week	
Friday 13 th June 2025	Father's Day Wish Room	FOO Event

	First Aid Road Show	Year 6 – in school event
W/C 16.06.2025		
Monday 16 th June 2025	Class Photographs	In School
Friday 20 th June 2025	Sports Day and Picnic	KS2: 9:00am-11:30am Picnic: 11:45am-12:45pm KS1: 1:00pm-3:00pm
W/C 23.06.2025		
Tuesday 24 th June 2025	Sports Day and Picnic reserve date in the event of inclement weather on 20.6.24	KS2: 9:00am-11:30am Picnic: 11:45am-12:45pm KS1: 1:00pm-3:00pm
Thursday 26 th June 2025	Year 6 Transition Day Beauchamps New Reception Intake Stay, Play and Storytime Session	9:30am-11:00am Reception Intake 2025 children and parents
Friday 27 th June 2025	Year 6 Transition Day Beauchamps New Reception Intake Stay, Play and Storytime Session Booklook and Meet the New Teacher	9:30am-11:00am Reception Intake 2025 children and parents 3:30pm-4:30pm – parents enter classrooms through pod door
W/C 30.06.2025		
Friday 4 th July	Year 5 Taster Day – Bromfords	Year 5 children
Friday 4 th July	Reception Intake 2025 Meeting and Teddy Bear’s Picnic Rainbow Run	9:30am-11:15am – new reception intake parents 2025 FOO Event
W/C 07.07.2025		
Tuesday 8 th July 2025	Year 6 Play	5pm
Thursday 10 th July 2025	Year 5 Taster Day -Beauchamps	Year 5 Children
Friday 11 th July 2025	Reception End of Year Celebration assembly Reports out to parents Contingency Rainbow Run Date FOO Ice-cream Sales	9:00am - Large Hall FOO Event FOO Event
W/C 14.07.2025		
Monday 14 th July 2025	Year 1 End of Year Celebration assembly	9:00am - Large Hall
Tuesday 15 th July 2025	Year 2 End of Year Celebration assembly	9:00am - Large Hall
Wednesday 16 th July 2025	Year 3 End of Year Celebration assembly	9:00am - Large Hall
Thursday 17 th July 2025	Year 4 End of Year Celebration assembly	9:00am - Large Hall

	First Aid Road Show	Year 6
Friday 18th July 2025	Year 5 End of Year Celebration assembly	9:00am - Large Hall
	FOO Ice-cream Sales	FOO Event
W/C 21.07.2025		
Monday 21 st July 2025	Year 6 Leavers Assembly	9:00am - Large Hall
Tuesday 22 nd July 2025	Last Day of Term	

Please note that some dates may have to change – all new dates and changes will be made in **red** and will appear in the dates section of the weekly newsletter

Essex Fire Museum Open Days 2025



Tuesday 15th & Sunday 27th April
10:30AM To 4:00PM
Fire Station, Hogg Lane, Grays
RM17 5QS

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CENTRAL BASILDON

Premier Education - Basildon Sport & Leisure Club (5-12 yrs)
Basildon Sport & Leisure Club, Gardiners Way, SS14 3UJ
RClark@premier-education.com & 07387196392

ATF - Millhouse (5-14 years)
Millhouse Primary School, Tavistock Road, SS15 5QF
kherring@atfcommunity.com & 07701365822

BILLERICAY

Camp 4 Champs (4-14 years)
Mayflower High School, Stock Rd, Billericay, CM12 0RT
bookings@camp4champs.co.uk & 02081030101

Mega Camps (4-14 years, SEND Level 1)
St John's School, Stock Road, Billericay, CM12 0AR
03330124378

FELMORES & VANGE

Southend United (5-13 years, up to SEND Level 2)
Eversley Leisure Centre, Crest Ave. SS13 2EF
info@southendunited-cet.co.uk & 01702341351

ATF - Briscoe (5-12 years)
Briscoe Primary School, Felmores End, SS13 1PN
c.malden@heartsacademy.uk & 07956770446

ATF - Vange (5-12 years)
Vange Primary School, London Road, SS16 4QA
smartin@atfcommunity.com & 07989515757

ATF - Northlands (5-12 years)
Briscoe Primary School, Felmores End, Basildon, SS13 1PN
kherring@atfcommunity.com & 07701365822

Sports Cool East London (4-11 years)
Cherry Tree Primary School, Long Riding, SS14 1QP
sout Essex@sportscool.org & 07707861027

WICKFORD & SHOTGATEE

Jack Of All Sports - Wickford (4-12 years)
North Crescent Primary School, Wickford, SS12 9AP
jackofallsports@btinternet.com & 07919888093

Jack Of All Sports - Wickford FC (4-12 years)
Bartlett Part, Shotgate, Wickford, SS11 8RZ
jackofallsports@btinternet.com & 07919888093

Crafty Katies Make and Move Holiday Club (4-12 years)
Abacus School, Tresco Way, Wickford, SS12 9GJ
craftykatie10@gmail.com & 07929044960

LAINDON, FRYERNS & ST MARTIN'S

Kidbusterz - Janet Duke (4-13 years, up to SEND Level 2)
Janet Duke Primary School, 105 Markhams Chase, SS15 5LS
info@kidbusterz.co.uk & 07519079628

Sports Cool East London (4-11 years)
Fairhouse Community Primary School, Long Riding, SS14 1QP
sout Essex@sportscool.org & 07707861027

SPECIALIST SEND & MENTAL WELLBEING CLUBS

Butterflies Club - Laindon, SEND Level 4 (8-16 years)
Presidents Hall, Laindon, SS15 6LF
jasmine@butterfliesclub.co.uk & 07884700124

Motivated Minds!
Mental Wellbeing & SEND Level 2 (6-16 years)
Happy Hub, Eastgate Shopping Centre, Basildon, SS14 1AE
thrive@motivated-minds.co.uk & 07429224971

JTD Arts SEND Level 1-3 (5-11 years)
Northlands Primary School, 45 Winifred Road, SS13 3JQ
activejtd@hotmail.com & 07856869296

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The Fryth, Beeleigh E, SS14 2RR
admin@sharerespite.co.uk & 0126852169

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Schools can now buy a
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which means **ALL parents** and **ALL staff**
get unlimited **FREE access** to **ALL 16** parent talks

Thursday
24th April
19:00 - 20:00
FREE



Responding to Angry Behaviour

What can we do in the moment?

Tuesday
18th March
10:00 - 11:30
£24



Anxiety Explained

Anxiety, especially in our young is rising.
This session explains what it is, why it happens and how you can help.

Tuesday
3rd April
10:00 - 11:30
£24



Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.

Tuesday
3rd April
19:00 - 20:30
£24



Improving Family Communication

How to reduce the shouting and arguing and start the talking.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk



Spring Timetable

all sessions delivered live online via zoom £24 each 90 minutes long
book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Anxiety Explained	18 MAR 7pm
What is ACT?	20 Mar 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	24 MAR 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	24 MAR 7pm
Decreasing Depression	25 MAR 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	25 MAR 7pm
AUTISM: Improving Communication	2 APR 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	3 APR 10am
Improving Family Communication	3 APR 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	7 APR 10am
Facing Defiance	7 APR 7pm
Anxiety-Based School Avoidance	8 APR 10AM
Understanding Anger	8 APR 7pm
Anxiety Explained	14 APR 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	14 APR 7pm